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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE MINISTERIAL CHANGES

REF: ABIDJAN 5903

1. DAVID MORSE, THE MEDIATOR IN THE LANG-SODESUCRE DISPUTE, TELEPHONED AF/W JULY 7 TO REPORT A CONVERSATION HE HAD WITH SODESUCRE LAWYER TORCZNER. TORCZNER SAID HE SAW HOUPHOUET IN ABIDJAN IN LATE JUNE/EARLY JULY. TORCZNER SAID DIAWARA AND SAWADOGO WILL SHORTLY BE DISMISSED, TOGETHER WITH "ONE OTHER" MINISTER. HOWEVER, HOUPHOUET TOLD TORCZNER THAT OTHER MINISTER WILL NOT BE BEDIE. TORCZNER SAID THAT IVORIAN MINISTERIAL CHANGES HAD BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE FRENCH WERE BRINGING HEAVY PRESSURE TO BEAR ON HOUPHOUET TO KEEP SAWADOGO AND DIAWARA IN THEIR PRESENT JOBS. TORCZNER SAID ONE ALTERNATIVE TO FIRING THESE TWO MINISTERS BEING DISCUSSED IN ABIDJAN WAS THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF A "SUPER MINISTER" TO SUPERVISE THE WORK OF BOTH OF THEM. UNTIL
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HOUPHOUET DECIDES WHETHER OR NOT TO KEEP DIAWARA AND SAWADOGO, TORCZNER SAID, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GET A DECISION EVEN ON ROUTINE MATTERS OUT OF THE IVORIAN GOVERNMENT.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENT ON FOREGOING.

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